

March 15, 2021

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:05 p.m.
Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson; Trustees E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh, Brian T. Perry and Darrin L. Folger; Attorney Andrew Borden, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Treasurer Sarah Michel, and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Folger that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 1, 2021 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Perry that the audit of the bills is approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay same in accordance with the following abstract of audit vouchers:

General Fund	\$	35,691.53
Electric Fund	\$	236,072.11
Water Fund	\$	5,920.57
Sewer Fund	\$	10,106.94

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Forrestel that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the application and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Joseph Matusek	15 Colony Place	Windows	\$50.00
Linda Holtz	34 Clinton Street	Barn Roof	\$50.00
Larry Izydorczak	20 Hoag Avenue	Hot Tub	\$50.00
Janet Glomb	7 Danita Drive	Windows	\$150.00
Kelkenberg Homes	66 Jackson Street	New House	\$5,588.00
Kerry Grimes	99 John Street	Fence	\$50.00

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Forrestel that the following applications for a Dumpster Permit be and hereby are approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of permit fee:

Thomas Halleck	63 Buell Street	Temporary	\$50.00
Yogi's Brick Oven Pizza	15 Main Street	Renewal	\$100.00

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE

DARRIN L. FOLGER - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Folger and seconded by Forrestel that the following Application for a Mobile Home Park License for the year 2021 be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of the annual license fee of \$1,250.00:

Akron-Cook MHP LLC	Wesley Drive	Renewal	\$1,250.00
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ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

Trustee Middaugh added he would like to review the permit fees for the Mobile Home Park in October/November 2021.

PUBLIC HEARING: –

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to hold a Public Hearing for Local Law #2 – 2021 Tax Cap Override on April 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

APPEARANCES: None

PUBLIC COMMENT – Attorney Borden attended the Planning Board work session earlier this evening and updated the Board on the discussion held regarding the Village Tree Policy. The policy has been reviewed and amended as per the suggestion of the Planning Board. The Village Code Book does touch on trees in section 137 and 142, but the Planning Board felt the new updated Tree Policy would complement and enhance the existing code. Also, the Planning Board would like to insert a number to the annual budget line for trees.

PROJECT REPORTS –

CDBG Main Street ADA Sidewalk Aprons/Crosswalks – nothing new.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade – continuing with Phase II.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

TREASURER – reported: Submitted all reports from the Finance Committee meeting held March 9, 2021 which she attended. Also, scheduled Budget meetings for Monday March 29, 2021 at 6 pm and Wednesday March 31, 2021 at 6 pm.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEE – COORDINATORS

Trustee Perry – reported: nothing to report.

Trustee Middaugh – reported: Encouraged everyone to Vote tomorrow.

Mayor Patterson – reported: Thanked the Community for supporting the Akron Chamber sponsored “Shop Local Saturday” event, which encouraged shoppers to come and visit the shops in the Village’s Business District.

Trustee Forrestel – reported: nothing to report.

Trustee Folger – reported: In regard to the NYS mandated Public Employer Health Emergency Plan, Trustee Folger highly cautioned the Board to really read the Village’s draft plan presented for review last week and amend the wording in several sections of the plan. Trustee Folger will work with Attorney Borden and present the amended draft to the Board for their final review.

OLD BUSINESS

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue/43 East Avenue Village Land – Andy Borden speaking on behalf of the Rotary Club mentioned that Doug Klotzbach will be working with the Committee and Alison Koopman creating a preliminary design for the structure. More to come.

Splash Pad – nothing new.

Cedar Street – Electrical/Trees/Sidewalks – nothing new.

Chicken Law – Trustee Forrestel mentioned having a conversation with Code Enforcement Officer Borth regarding the items the Code Enforcement Committee was still working on for the proposed Chicken Law such as lot size, set-backs, distance of coop from other existing buildings.

Agreement with Town of Amherst Central Fire Alarm System – still in negotiations with Amherst Fire Control.

Jackson Street Sidewalks – nothing new.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION duly moved by Perry and seconded by Middaugh to engage Drescher & Malecki LLP’s services to perform an audit on the Financial Statements of government activities of the Village of Akron as of May 31, 2021 and to prepare the Annual Financial Report update document for the Village of Akron for the year ending May 31, 2021 be and hereby are approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

RESOLUTION to appoint the following Firematic Officers for 2021: tabled for the meeting scheduled April 5, 2021.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Folger to allow Electric Crew Chief, Thomas Whitbeck, to carry over 40 additional vacation hours to be used by June 17, 2021 on the recommendation of Public Works Manager Jon Cummings be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE
	BRIAN T. PERRY	- AYE
	DARRIN L. FOLGER	- AYE

CORRESPONDENCE –

NYCOM Advocacy Update dated March 4th, March 8th, and March 15th, 2021.

Letters from Charter Communications notifying of broadcast changes dated March 9, 2021.

Clark Patterson Lee Proposal for engineering services for water and sewer replacement on East Avenue.

Planning Board minutes from meeting held February 22, 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Retired Attorney Don Shonn asked if the Board has heard of any Federal stimulus funds coming our way. Board responded no. Mr. Shonn also spoke more about the Freedom of Information Civil Rights 58A Amendment. He stated District Attorney John Flynn asked for all disciplinary records of all officers in Erie County; did Chief Lauricella send those in for the Village Police Department? Lastly, he highly recommended keeping disciplinary records in mind when hiring new officers in the future.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

On motion of Folger and seconded by Forrestel at 8:25 pm this meeting was ADJOURNED.

MAYOR

CLERK